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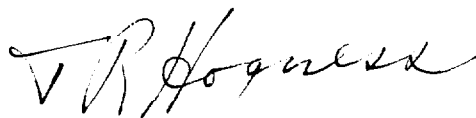
Dear Dr. Lederberg:

We have your letter of January 12, in which you tell us that you must decline our offer to become associated with the University of Chicago. Naturally we are all very much disappointed, for we had hoped to have the benefit of your stimulating research and teaching and your inspiration. I had hoped to build up an eminent program of microbial genetics with you as the cornerstone. However, we appreciate the special merits of your position at Wisconsin, and we are sorry that we were not able to make you feel that the advantages at Chicago would be greater.

We hope that we may continue to have your inspiration from time to time as in the past. I should like to extend to you our hospitality, and I hope that you will consider our Institute your headquarters when you are in Chicago.

With my best regards and best wishes
for your continued success,

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'T. R. Hogness', written in a cursive style.

T. R. Hogness
Director